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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Norley et al.  
Serial No.: 09/888,972  
Filed: June 25, 2001  
For: Graphite-Based Thermal Expansion Component  
Group Art Unit: 3743  
Examiner: Flanigan, A.  
Attorney's Docket No. P1045



I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS BEING DEPOSITED WITH THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE AS FIRST-CLASS MAIL IN AN ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO: ASST. COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS, WASHINGTON D.C. 20231 ON THIS 11<sup>th</sup> DAY OF June 2002.  
BY: Carie A. McPherson

RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Asst. Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

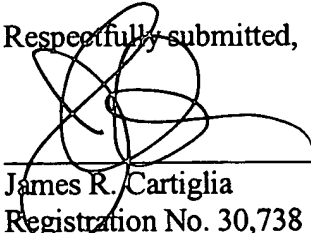
This amendment and comment is submitted in response to the Office Action dated May 22, 2002.

The Examiner required election between Group I (claims 1-6) and Group II (claims 7-17).

Applicant elects the claims of Group I (claims 1-6) without traverse.

Please amend the application to cancel claims 7-17 which will be pursued in a divisional application.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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